Reedy Springs Half Century Ago

There's no mystery as to the name of the little boy at the left holding the Reedy Springs School sign. He is John G. Nash of Concord, Virginia, who wants to share this picture, now 55 years old, with former classmates and friends. Mrs. Glover Jones was the teacher. And now, readers, how many others do you recognize?

Three Counties Quarantined By Hog Cholera

Three counties, Rockbridge, Campbell and Charlotte, in the Lynchburg Area are under Federal Quarantine due to a recent outbreak of Hog Cholera, according to Dr. Leroy E. Bowen, Jr., Area Supervisor for the Division of Animal Health and Dairies, Virginia Department of Agriculture.

This outbreak, originating in this area in Campbell County, spread to adjoining counties where several farms were depopulated by State-Federal officials, due to exposure and/or infection. These other counties include Bedford, Halifax and Nelson, which as yet are not under Federal Quarantine, but are subject to emergency as well as existing State regulations.

Under State-Federal regulations, the swine producer receives and indemnity payment of approximately current market prices when his farm is depopulated of swine after Cholera is diagnosed.

The Federal Quarantine on Rockbridge, Campbell and Charlotte Counties stipulates that no Cholera infected swine can move interstate for any purpose, nor can breeding and feeding swine move interstate for any purpose. Other swine can be permitted into certain states for immediate slaughter provided these swine are healthy, and meet certain other conditions set forth in the Quarantine.

To determine if swine are eligible for interstate shipment, contact Dr. Bowen or anyone of his staff at the Lynchburg Regulatory Laboratory, Telephone Number 703-846-8860.

Although regulatory officials believe that this outbreak is under control, a number of farms in these counties are under State Quarantine, in an effort to prevent further spread of the disease. It is hoped that this situation will be resolved in the near future.

Social Security Questions & Answers

Send your questions to: Questions and Answers, Social Security Office, P. O. Box 2496, Lynchburg, Va. 24501.

Q – Thomas Long retired June 30th and worked part-time from July through December. When he files his annual report does he report just the amount earned after he retired?

A – No. The beneficiary must include his earnings for the whole taxable year. This usually means January 1st – Dec. 31. In any case, it would normally be a 12 month period. Regardless of his total earnings he would be entitled to benefits for July through Dec. if he did not earn over $140 a month.

Q – I have lost my Social Security Health Insurance Card. Do I have to fill out a new application for a duplicate card?

A – No. If you lost or misplaced your Health Insurance Card, you can obtain a duplicate card by phoning or visiting your local Social Security office. The duplicate card will be reissued by the Baltimore Social Security office. Once you have applied for Medicare your records are on file and a new application is not needed.

Q – My wife stopped work at age 36 when we married. Three years later, she was crippled by an automobile accident. She applied for disability benefits under social security but was turned down because she only had 19 quarters of coverage. Does the recent change in the law effect her status?

A – Whereas 20 quarters of coverage (i.e., five years of work) used to be required in all disability cases, the new law reduces this requirement for persons who were disabled before age 31. Such persons need to have worked only one-half of the time between age 21 and the date when the disability began. Your wife should reapply right away.

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Atkins Named Loan Officer

Donald Edward Atkins has been named a Loan Officer of Fidelity National Bank and will be associated with the bank's Kenbridge Office as assistant to Edward C. Irby, Fidelity Vice President and Manager of the Kenbridge bank. Announcement of the appointment was made by J. Lyons Davidson, President, after a meeting of Fidelity's Board of Directors in Lynchburg. He will assume his new duties on January 1.

A native of Lynchburg, Mr. Atkins was graduated from E. C. Glass High School and attended East Tennessee University, Johnson City, Tenn. He was a graduate of the School of Bank Management, University of Virginia, and has completed a number of bank courses sponsored by the American Institute of Banking. Mr. Atkins has been in the banking field for the past ten years and was formerly employed by First and Merchants National Bank of Bedford.

He is a director of the Bedford Rotary Club, a past director of the Bedford Jaycees and a member of the Bedford Country Club. He and his family attend the Methodist Church.

Mr. Atkins is married to the former Darby McDaniel of Lynchburg and they have one daughter, Carey.

LIBERTY CHAPEL

Fear thou not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee, yea, I will help thee, I will uphold thee with thy right hand of my righteousness. Isaiah 41: 10.

Mrs. John Scruggs and Mrs. Charles Scruggs visited Mr. John Scruggs Sunday at the Liberty Nursing Home in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Carrie Gibson of Washington and Mrs. David Garrette of Alexandria, visited Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette Friday.

Mrs. Irvin Moses was dinner guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrette.

"How does the kangaroo get into the mother's pouch?"

The female kangaroo places her offspring into the pouch immediately after they are born. They are kept and fed there until they are about four months old.

VA Program Reaches Million Plus

About 1,242,000 beneficiaries will participate in the Veterans Administration's training programs this school year, according to W.H. Highfill, Jr., Acting Manager of the Roanoke VA Regional Office.

These programs include 24,000 disabled veterans in rehabilitative training, 1,158,000 veterans and servicemen receiving educational assistance under the GI Bill, and 60,200 dependents of deceased and disabled veterans.

The number of persons participating in education and training programs is expected to increase by 113,000 to 1,355,000 during 1971.

According to Highfill, the number of veterans and servicemen seeking educational assistance is related mainly to the size of the armed forces and the yearly rate of discharge. Increased participation by veterans who served after Jan. 31, 1955, is another factor.

Another reason for the rise in the number of trainees is the wide publicity being given the programs through U.S. Veterans Assistance Centers, the VA's "Outreach Program", and hospital visitations.

Highfill urges Vietnam veterans and others who have served since Jan. 31, [illegible] their [illegible] further [illegible] Bonsal benefits.

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